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If you think the circus is the only thing that offers practically everything in the line of novel entertainment, you don't know the half of it. There's more in "The Side Show of Life" than there is in a magician's hat.

Here's one case in which you compliment the hero by saying he makes a clown of himself. Torrence as a juggler-general-a peace-time entertainer, a war-time leader-we repeat, Ernest Torrence, or nobody else for that matter, has ever done anything like it

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There's just enough war stuff in the production to put a dash of fast-moving action into the story. And you can leave it to Brenon to make these scenes the very last word in realism. He's a stickler for that. He even made Torrence learn how to juggle for the picture, rather than fake these scenes. So when fans see "The Side-Show of Life", they'll know they are seeing the real thing.

There's a delightful little love theme running through the entire picture, with Torrence torn between two women-one poor, the Big Scenes- The picture is a succession of 'em! Torrence other a titled lady. Which does he choose?

Scenes in France, England, the battlefields of the World War, scenes on spacious and gorgeously appointed ocean liners, we couldn't even begin to mention them all. If it's variety they're looking for, they'll come in droves to see this one!

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And there's a good stunt with your local Veteran's Bureau. Torrence returns from the War to find that there isn't work for even a Brigadier General in civilian life, so he has to return to his old world of the stage. "But what you couldn't interest about those who had no profession

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War is declared. Elodie tries to hold Lackaday, but he enlists with the British forces, and in three years of fighting rises from the ranks to Colonel. His adjutant is young Charles Verity-Stewart, son of the man whose car had killed Prepimpin. The boy is wounded, and Andrew saves his life at the risk of his own. He receives the Legion of Honor and is promoted to Brigadier General.

At the Stewart home he again meets Lady Auriol Dayne who was in the machine on the day of the fatal accident. She is now an ambulance driver on leave in England. He has all intentions of confessing his love for Lady Auriol, when he thinks of the girl back in Paris waiting for him, depending entirely upon him. He packs up hurriedly and leaves without a word to anyone. They wouldn't stills of him in his various char- have much use for him anyway when they discovered that he is living a lie.

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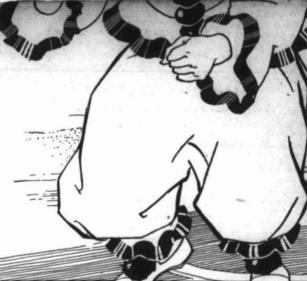


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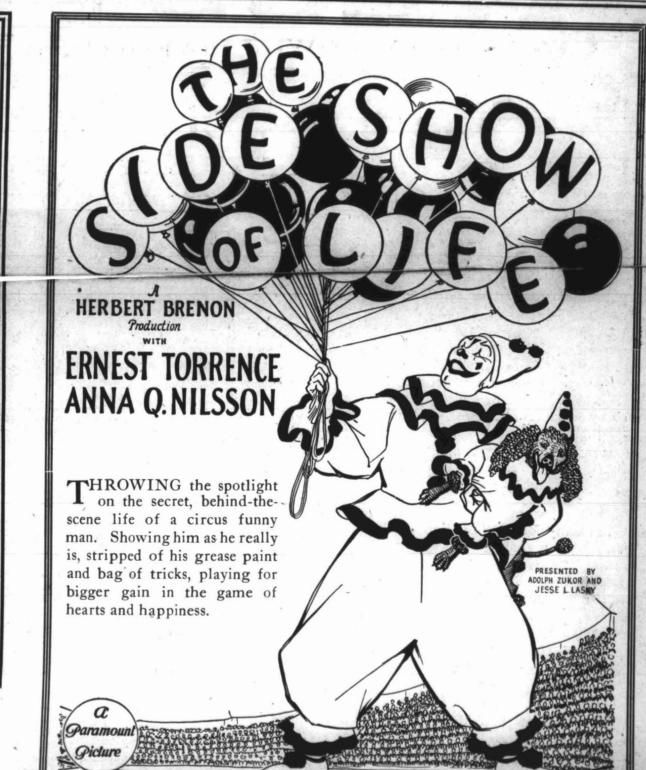
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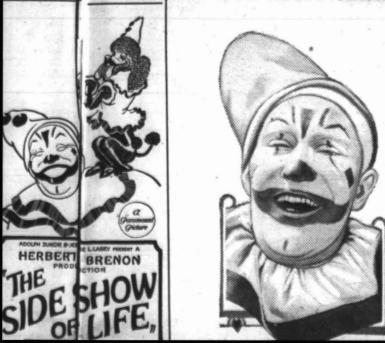
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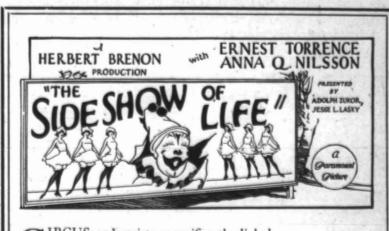
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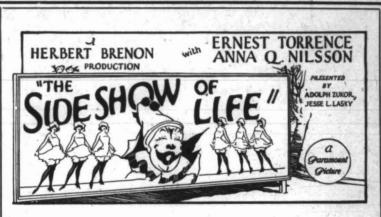
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Circus Is in Town!

Paramount's "The Side Show of Life" at the Rialto All This Week

PUTTING on a full-fledged circus for scenes in a moton picture is not as easy to do as it sounds. In most other stories containing circus episodes it would have been a comparatively easy thing to send a cameraman to the nearest show, "shoot" it, and then insert the scenes in their proper places in the film. But in "The Side Show of Life" a great deal of the action of the story hinges on various episodes that occur before, during and after the performances. Director Brenon was faced with the task of staging an entire circus in order to intelligently portray the same and the characters

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Lion Throws Scare Into Motion Picture Players

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spectators didn't know it.

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Advance Stories

"The Side Show of Life" Coming to the Rialto

THE circus is coming to town! Bigger and better than ever! The most marvelous aggregation of wild animals in captivity! See the death-defying leap of Madame Zaza, the excruciatingly funny clowns, the antics of the pachyderms, commonly called elephants, etc., etc., etc. Pea-nuts, popcorn and pink lemonade! Hurray! The parade is coming! Now don't get excited folks, the

circus we have in mind is in the new

the Theatre next...... Willis Goldbeck and Julie Herne adapted it from "The Mountebank," the absorbing novel by William J. Locke. We'd like to wager that you'll get a bigger "kick" out of the reel circus than you would out of the real one because the one and only Ernest Torrence of "The Cov-ered Wagon" fame has the featured role of the fun-making clown who becomes a brigadier-general during war and after the war is over is forced to return to his circus life. Herbert Brenon, who produced the

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Every bit of the comedy and pathos that has made so many thousands of people laugh and cry over the book has been put on the screen with all the mastery of Herbert Brenon.

Better see this one!

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Press Reviews

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into the world of the stage.

And Ernest Torrence plays this part! Torrence is great as 'Bill Jackson' in "The Covered Wagon," but he's greater, if that's humanly pos-sible, as the clown, Petit Patou. Tor-rence and Anna Q. Nilsson are featured in the production. It is our candid opinion that Torrence's char-acterization in "The Side Show of Life" is by far the greatest single portrayal that has ever reached the

If you thought Miss Nilsson was good in "Ponjola", wait until you see this one. Neil Hamilton, who has a prominent role in D. W. Griffith's "America", has the juvenile beauty, is Torrence's partner in his juggling act. Others in the strong supporting cast are Maurice Cannon, William Ricciardi, Katherine Lee, sister of the equally famous Jane; Lawrence D'Orsay, Effie Shannon and other big names.

The Side Show of Life" is a veritable three-ring circus of screen en-tertainment and thrills.

(Review No. 2)

There were times yesterday, as we sat watching Herbert Brenon's pro-duction, "The Side Show of Life," Theatre, when t loud. There at the we laughed right out loud. were also times when we could not keep back the tears; and there were other times when we weren't at all sure whether we were laughing or crying. From this you will gather that it's a screenplay of fundamental human emotion and human suffering,

sacrifice and love. Life itself is a mixture of laughter and tears!

"The Mountebank" by William J. Locke is the story from which the picture was adapted by Willis Goldbeck and Julie Herne. It deals with beck and Julie Herne. the adventures of a circus clown who becomes a general during the war, falls in love with a titled, lady only to come to the bitter realization, when the war is over, that once a clown, always a clown! In a series of heart-tugging situations a powerful climax is reached, and from this point on the picture marches on

to a happy and triumphant finish. There are lavish sets and circus backgrounds and dramatic content of the story. With it all Ernest Torrimpressive portrayal of the lovable clown dominates the picture. It is a role that affords a wider dramatic scope than anything he has done before. Torrence has a chance to be a real hero himself and the ray he does it makes you love him. He is not only funny but human and tender and that is a hard combination to beat.

Anna Q. Nilsson is an ideal type for the aristocratic heroine. Miss Nilsson has a featured role with Torrence in the production. Louise Lagrange, Maurice Cannon, Katherine Lee and others prominent on both

"The Side Show of Life" Locke Tale

Adapted from "The Mountebank", Torrence Featured

THE Side Show of Life," a Herbert Brenon Paramount production, at the Theatre all this week, is an adaptation by Willis Goldbeck and Julie Herne of the novel, "The Mountebank", by William J. Locke. Ernest Torrence and Anna Q. Nilsson are featured.

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The story opens introducing us to the clown Andrew Lackaday, known as Petit Patou, and his dog Primpin, mainstays of a small, French travelling circus. The dog is killed, and Andrew takes a pretty young girling the his act. War is declared ackaday enlists, leaving the girl in care of a friend and promising to return as soon as possible.

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He is quickly promoted for brav-ery and through his young adjutant meets a charming titled lady and falls in love with her but remembers girl back home who is waiting for him, depending upon him. He goes back. Lady Auriof (Miss Nilsson) follows and sees him as cus clown. She sees the girl, Elodie, and believes she understands.

Then comes a novel twist that makes "The Side Show of Life" one of the most interesting screen vehicles seen in many a day.

Which girl does Lackaday marry? Does he remain a clown or go back to a life of social ease, (he's a cultured English gentleman you know)? These are the questions the picture is answering daily at the ...

"The Side Show of Life" closes its run on Better take it in before it goes, because it isn't at all likely that you'll see another such picture for quite some time to come

Imagine Being Paid to Watch a Circus, Fellows!

The hearts of about sixty youngswere gladdened recently when they were brought from various sections of New York City over to Paramount's Long Island studio to witness a bona fide circus. And with the youngsters were grown-ups who got just as much fun out of the performances as the children did.

But the surprising part of it all is that the spectators of the show were paid for watching it! Children and others, after each day of watching clowns, wild animals, bareback riders, contortionists, elephants and everything else that goes to make up a regular circus, received a check for seven and a half dollars. In other words, the "spectators" were movie extras employed to act as an audience in the new Herbert Brenon production for Paramount.

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intensely human tale of love and sacrifice, one that exerts a powerful appeal upon audiences-a picture that is sure to please everyone.

Herbert Brenon Brings Circus to Movie Studio

Herbert Brenon couldn't find time to go to the circus at Mad-Square Garden when the Big Show was in New York City so he brought a circus to the lot at the Paramount Long Island studio. Incidentally the circus was used for scenes in "The Side Show of Life", featuring Ernest Torrence and Anna Q. Nilsson. While amusing him-self with the lions, tigers, bears, camels, bareback riders and the other characteristic parts of a circus Mr. Brenon also furnished entertainment for some two hundred men, wo-men, and children who gathered under the tent as spectators

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Mr. Brenon didn't even leave out the side show and follow-ing the big show there was the usual after concert with the fat lady, the tall man, the strong man and the wild man from Borneo. Taking it all in all a great time was had by all.

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New Screen "Find" Plays in "Side Show of Life"

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Born in Lynn, Mass., Hamilton after completing his regular schooling, spent three years in a theological seminary and then cast about for a job, but could find nothing suitable. He finally drifted to the theatrical section of New York City and brazenly presented himself at the stage door of a well-known theatre and asked for a job. When asked what he could do Hamilton said he could act, change scenery, take care of the "props" and several other things. Whoever it was that gave him his first job took Hamilton at his word, for the next night he was on the stage appearing as an extra. not before an audience Neil was helping shift scenery, carrying trunks around and assisting in setting the stage. For this work Neil was handed ten dollars at the end of each week. But he refused to become discouraged, reasoning correctly that he was getting a wealth of experience that would be valuable to him at some future time.

The show in which Hamilton was appearing suddenly failed. Undaunted, he went to another theatre housing a stock company and told the manager a beautiful lie about his long experience as leading man for a Canadian company. The manager believed his story and gave him a In a short time he was play ing the juvenile lead and so firmly established himself that he was taken by the company on a tour.

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tive ear to suggestions and learn something new from the most unexpected sources.

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son are featured in the leading roles of "The Side Show of Life." Others in the cast are Neil Hamilton, Louise Lagrange and Katherine Lee.

Torrence, Naturally Tall, Even More So in New Film

Ernest Torrence, being six feet, three inches in height, has already earned the distinction of being one of the tallest men in motion pictures, but in "The Side Show of Life" the Herbert Brenon production for Paramount which features Mr. Torrence and Anna Q. Nilsson, he appears even

In his characterization as the clown in the famous William J. Locke story "The Mountebank", Ernwears a wig that increases his height to exactly seven feet, four inches. With his whole make-up on, and performing in the center of the and performing in the center of the ring in the circus scenes, Torrence looks as if he might easily be appearing as the tallest man in the world. And what makes him look even taller than he really is, is the fact that he has playing opposite him in his circus scenes Louise Lagrange, who lays claim to but five feet, two.

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all-star cast playing in support the leading players, comes the......Theatre on..... toTheatre on

Brenon Reveals Secret of Torrence's Success

The greatest achievement of any actor on the screen is to make the people who are watching him forget that he is an actor, according to Her-bert Brenon. In other words the actor must be the character he is playing and not just an actor. In making clear the distinction Mr. Brenon cited the work of Ernest Torrence, who is featured with Anna Q. Nilsson in his latest Paramount pic-ture, "The Side Show of Life", com-

ture that make him a clown and not ture that make him a clown and not an actor playing a clown". Brenon explained. "For instance, he learned to balance cigar boxes on his chin, to juggle Indian clubs and rubber balls, and to balance a paper cone on his nose. Many actors playing such a part would never have gone to the trouble to learn the tricks but to the trouble to learn the tricks but would have said:

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Anna Q. Nilsson is featured with Mr. Torrence. She is the titled Lady Auriol Dayne with whom the clown falls hopelessly in love; as usual Miss Nilsson gives a capital performance. Neil Hamilton who has the prominent

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"The Side Show of Life" is more than a motion picture. It is a slice

Latest Paramount Picture Due for Showing Here Soon

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man tale you will readily agree that in picturizing it Paramount has per-formed a public service; for if ever a character deserved immortality it is the lovable clown Petit Patou, a part played to perfection by Ernest Torrence.

If readers of the story had been asked to vote upon the player best fitted to portray the title role their unanimous choice would probably have been this very man.

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If you thought Miss Nilsson was good in "Ponjola", wait until you see this one. Neil Hamilton, who has a prominent role in D. W. Griffith's "America", has the juvenile lead. Louise Lagrange, a French beauty, is Torrence's partner in his juggling act. Others in the strong supporting cast are Maurice Cannon, William Ricciardi, Katherine Lee, sister of the equally famous Jane; Lawrence D'Orsay, Effie Shannon and other big names.

The Side Show of Life" is a veritable three-ring circus of screen en-tertainment and thrills.

(Review No. 2)

There were times yesterday, as we sat watching Herbert Brenon's production, "The Side Show of Life," Theatre, when ght out loud. There we laughed right out loud. were also times when we could not keep back the tears; and there were other times when we weren't at all sure whether we were laughing or crying. From this you will gather that it's a screenplay of fundamental human emotion and human suffering, sacrifice and love. Life itself is a

mixture of laughter and tears!
"The Mountebank" by William J.
Locke is the story from which the picture was adapted by Willis Goldbeck and Julie Herne. It deals with the adventures of a circus clown who becomes a general during the war, falls in love with a titled, English lady only to come to the bitter realization, when the war is over, that once a clown, always a clown! In a series of heart-tugging situations a powerful climax is reached, and from this point on the picture marches on to a happy and triumphant finish.

There are lavish sets and circus backgrounds and dramatic content of the story. With it all Ernest Torrence's impressive portrayal of the lovable clown dominates the picture. It is a role that affords a wider dramatic scope than anything he has done before. Torrence has a chance to be a real hero himself and the way he does it makes you love him. He is not only funny but human and tender and that is a hard combination to beat.

Anna Q. Nilsson is an ideal type for the aristocratic heroine. Miss Nilsson has a featured role with Tor-Miss rence in the production. Louise Lagrange, Maurice Cannon, Katherine Lee and others prominent on both stage and screen appear in support.

(Review No. 3)

A heart-stirring story, extraordinary acting, beautiful photography, capable direction and a circus and society setting combine to make "The Side Show of Life", the Paramount picture that opened last night at

reen entertainment. It's an adaptation of the best-seller ' The Mountebank" by William J. Locke.

The plot begins to unwind when we meet the amusing personality of Andrew Lackaday, whom we first know as a clown in a small travel-ling circus. The coming of the great war puts an end to his fun-making antics. He enlists as a private but thru sheer merit finds himself a hero and is rapidly promoted and accepted in the most exclusive circles of the English aristocracy. But being a English aristocracy. But being a man of honor he realizes that after all he is only a clown and has no right to pretend to be anything else. He turns his back upon the woman whom he has learned to love, the beautiful Lady Auriol Dayne, and returns to his poor little circus. But there's a great revelation—a smashing climax to the production that

Last Times Today

The final showings of the Herbert Brenon Paramount production, "The Side Show of Life", featuring Ernest Torrence and Anna Q. Nilsson, which opened at the Theatre on, will take place there this afternoon and evening.

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goes back. Lady Auriol (Miss Nilsson) follows and sees him as a circus clown. She sees the girl, Elodie, and believes she understands.

Then comes a novel twist that makes "The Side Show of Life" one of the most interesting screen vehicles seen in many a day.

Which girl does Lackaday marry? Does he remain a clown or go back to a life of social ease, (he's a cultured English gentleman you know)? These are the questions the picture is answering daily at the.

"The Side Show of Life" closes its Better take it run on Better take it in before it goes, because it isn't at all likely that you'll see another such picture for quite some time to come.

Imagine Being Paid to Watch a Circus, Fellows!

The hearts of about sixty youngs ters were gladdened recently when they were brought from various sec-tions of New York City over to Paramount's Long Island studio to witness a bona fide circus. And with the youngsters were grown-ups who got just as much fun out of the performances as the children did.

But the surprising part of it all is that the spectators of the show were paid for watching it! Children and others, after each day of watching clowns, wild animals, bareback riders, contortionists, elephants and everything else that goes to make up a regular circus, received a check for seven and a half dollars. In other words, the "spectators" were movie extras employed to act as an audience in the new Herbert Brenon production for Paramount.

"The Side Show of Life", featur-ing Ernest Torrence and Anna Q. Nilsson is due next.. Theatre. at the story is an adaptation by Willis Gold-beck and Julie Herne of "The Moun-tebank" by William J. Locke. Maurice Cannon, Neil Hamilton, Louise Lagrange, Lawrence D'Orsay, Katherine Lee and others appear in the strong It's a story of supporting cast. clown (in reality a cultured English gentleman) with a second rate traveling French circus. He becomes a hero in the World War only to return to his old profession in the end when he finds there isn't room even for a brigadier general in civilian life.

"The Side Show of Life", is an intensely human tale of love and sacrifice, one that exerts a powerful appeal upon audiences—a picture that is sure to please everyone.

Torrence Realizes Ambition of Lifetime in Latest Role

Ernest Torrence has realized one of the ambitions of his life.

He has played the role of Petit Patou, the famous clown character of William Locke's novel, "The of William Locke's novel, "The Mountebank", in the Herbert Brenon Paramount production, "The Side

featured role with Anna Q. Nilsson, and which will be shown next.....

at the Theatre.
"Long before the book was produced as a play and before Famous Players bought the picture rights I had cherished an ambition to play the part of Andrew Lackaday, the clown," Torrence, said, "and it was with much satisfaction and gratifica-tion that I put on my make-up today. Can you blame me for being happy? You'd be too, if you had fulfilled a life-long ambition.

There's a big cast of prominent players playing in support.

Two Hundred and Fifty World War Vets in New Paramount

Two hundred and fifty veterans of the World War appear in scenes of the Herbert Brenon Paramount production, "The Side Show of Life", featuring Ernest Torrence and Anna Q. Nilsson and coming to the ... Theatre for a run of days on next. The men, all jobless, were obtained through the Veteran's Bureau in New York City. Having done the same thing a

number of times under realistic conditions 'over there', the vets had no trouble with rehearsals, and it is said that you can't tell the difference

opened at the Theatre on, will take place there this afternoon and evening.

The story is one of society and the circus, with scenes in France of the picture and the real thing.

Neil Hamilton, Louise Lagrange, Katherine Lee, Maurice Cannon and many others appear in the strong supporting cast.

Supporting the principal players in "The Side Show of Life", which will be the feature at the Theatre on next are, among others, Neil Hamilton, Louise Lagrange, Katherine Lee, Maurice Cannon and Lawrence D'Orsay.

The story was adapted to the screen from the novel, "The Mountebank" by William J.

New Screen "Find" Plays in "Side Show of Life"

A detailed story of the life of the youthful Neil Hamilton, who plays the role of Charles Verity-Stewart in the Herbert Brenon production for Para-mount, "The Side Show of Life", featuring Ernest Torrence and Anna Q. Nilsson, and due at the . Theatre on Theatre on, would read like one of Horatio Alger's books on the country boy who made good.

Born in Lynn, Mass., Hamilton after completing his regular schooling, spent three years in a theological seminary and then cast about for a job, but could find nothing suitable. He finally drifted to the theatrical section of New York City and brazenly presented himself at the stage door of a well-known theatre and asked for a job. When asked what he could do Hamilton said he could act, change scenery, take care of the "props" and several other things. Whoever it was that gave him his first job took Hamilton at his word, for the next night he was on the stage appearing as an extra. When not before an audience Neil was help ing shift scenery, carrying trunks around and assisting in setting the stage. For this work Neil was handed ten dollars at the end of each week. But he refused to become discouraged, reasoning correctly that he was getting a wealth of experience that would be valuable to him at some future time.

The show in which Hamilton was appearing suddenly failed. Undaunted, he went to another theatre housing a stock company and told the manager a beautiful lie about his long experience as leading man for a Canadian company. The manager believed his story and gave him a job. In a short time he was playing the juvenile lead and so firmly established himself that he was taken by the company on a tour.

Then everything seemed to break wrong, and he found himself turning to motion picture work as a means of livelihood. The "motion picture work" consisted of extra parts in various films. Realizing that he would have considerable difficulty in getting recognition submerged as an extra in mob scenes, Neil started pulling a few strings, fir with an agen

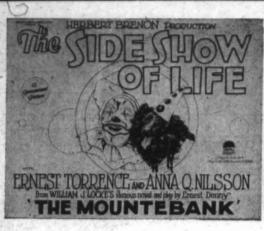
In a few weeks Neil was called to meet D. W. Griffith, who was look-ing for a leading man for his new picture, "The White Rose." Mr. Griffith made a test of Neil and told him that he would be notified in a few days if everything was O. K. Two days after the test was made Neil read that the D. W. Griffith company had left for Bermuda to start "The White Rose." Neil thought the jig was up so far as getting the part was concerned.

To further heighten Hamilton's sorrows there was a sudden slump in motion picture production in New York and Neil thought he would have to give up his career. When things looked their blackest Hamilton re-ceived a cable from Griffith to come to Bermuda immediately to play the role he had been tested for. Neil played the part so well that he was signed to a long term contract by Mr. Griffith.

Next came the role of Nathan Holden in Griffith's "America." Her-bert Brenon saw him in that role and arranged with Mr. Griffith to have him play in "The Side Show of Life".

Hamilton's part in this picture gives the public its first glimpse of Neil in "regular" clothes. In "The White Rose" Hamilton played the role of a poor grocer boy, while in "America" Neil portrayed a Revolutionary War character.

Why not see what you think of him?

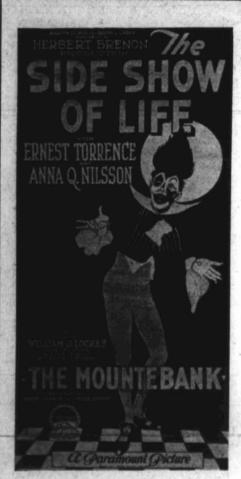








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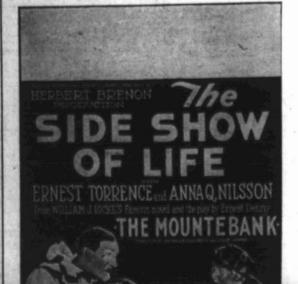


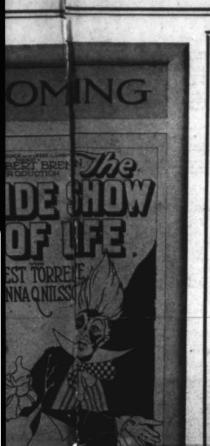
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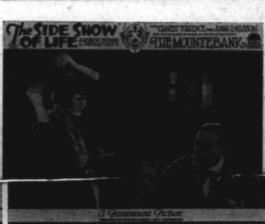






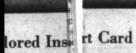








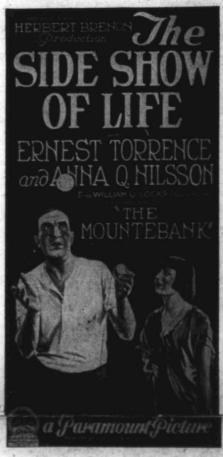
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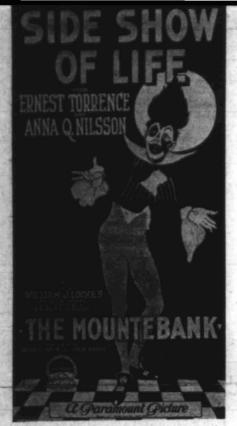
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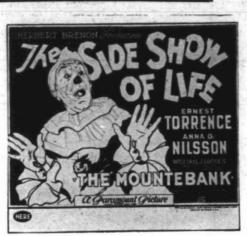


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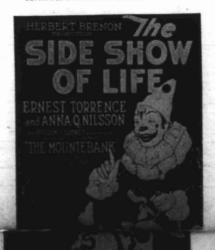
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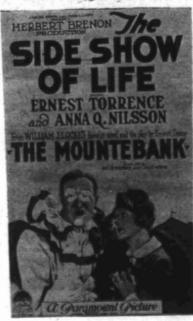


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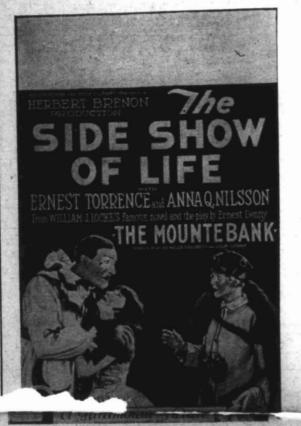




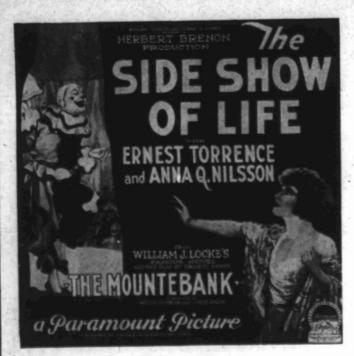
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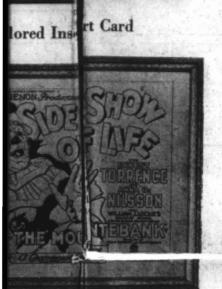




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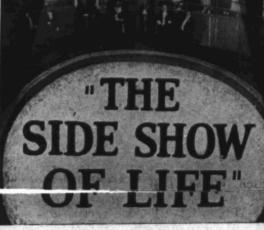






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